

State Programs Impacting Women

Family Independence Agency

Adoption Services – plans and supervises adoptive placement of permanent state or FIA-supervised court wards.

Adult Community Placement – provides community placement, coordination for licensed, residential care for aged, physically handicapped or developmentally disabled adults who are unable to live alone.

Adult Independent Living Services – provides case management, personal care and other supportive services to enable individuals to remain in their own homes.

Child Day Care Services – pays all or a portion of child day care expense for low income families.

Child Support Enforcement – assists in establishing paternity and obtaining child support payments.

Children's Trust Fund – focuses on public education and awareness, information dissemination and funding a network of local community-based prevention programs.

Community Supportive Services – promotes through various programs parents' abilities to successfully nurture their children and to use resources and opportunities in their communities.

Disability Determination Services – determines the eligibility of adults and children who apply for benefits under the Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability programs.

Employment (Work First Program) – provides employment and training services to customers.

Family Independence Program – provides cash assistance to eligible families with children.

Family Preservation Services (Families First) – provides short-term crisis services as an alternative to out-of-home care for children of families referred by protective services, foster care, delinquency or domestic violence.

Food Assistance Program – increases the food purchasing power of low-income households.

Foster Care – provides out of home placement for children in cases of delinquency, abuse, or neglect when deemed necessary by Family Court.

HIV/AIDS Services – provides advocacy services for people who test positive for HIV or AIDS.

Juvenile Justice Services – provides for the care and supervision of delinquent state wards referred to FIA by the courts.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program – helps meet home heating costs for those qualifying.

Medicaid – provides necessary health care services for family independence program and SSI recipients and other low-income people. FIA determines eligibility and the Department of Community Health administers the program.

Michigan Domestic Violence Board – provides grants to 46 nonprofit community-based agencies that assist victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

Migrant Services – coordinates services to over 40,000 migrant agricultural workers and family members through 11 regional Migrant Resource Councils and the State of Michigan Interagency Migrant Services committee.

Native American Affairs – coordinates implementation of state and federal laws.

Office of Child and Adult Licensing - licenses Adult Foster Care Licensing, Child Day Care Licensing, Camp Licensing, and Child Welfare Licensing.

The Office of Family Advocate (OFA) - within Executive Office of FIA and reports to the Director of FIA. OFA serves as FIA's liaison to the Office of Children's Ombudsman and upon receipt of a complaint, OFA investigates FIA/Private Agency's handling of child welfare cases.

Protective Services – investigates reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of children or vulnerable adults, and provides intervention as necessary.

Refugee Assistance Services – coordinates a variety of services to eligible refugees.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Service Program – provides services to runaway and homeless youths.

State Disability Assistance – provides cash assistance to disabled adults who do not have dependent children.

State Emergency Relief – provides limited assistance to individuals and families facing emergencies that threaten their health or safety.

State Medical Program – provides basic, outpatient health care services to low-income adults who do not qualify for other medical programs. FIA determines eligibility and Mi Department of Community Health administers the program.

Supplemental Security Income – FIA pays a supplement to all SSI eligible recipients.

Teen Parent Program – provides comprehensive coordinated services to teen parents in 18 counties to assist in meeting the health and developmental needs of their children.

Volunteer Services – recruits, trains and places volunteers for direct services to FIA customers.

Youth in Transition – prepares eligible foster-care teens for living on their own.

Michigan Department of Agriculture

Animal Disease Surveillance – monitors animals for various diseases in order to help safeguard the human population from disease that can pass between animals and humans, either through direct contact with animals or through consumption of animal products.

Agriculture Tourism – provides opportunity to visit farm markets, specialty u-pick farms and corn mazes is a family event that can be enjoyed all year long.

Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) Eradication – provides research and education programs to eradicate TB, which poses a risk for livestock, wildlife, companion animals and humans.

Companion Animal Program – protects human health, the health of companion animals and livestock in our state, and consumer interests against disease, prevention, prophylaxis and control of rabies.

Dairy Safety Inspections – tests to maintain safety, wholesomeness and marketability of milk and milk products to ensure proper health for citizens.

Farm Markets – works to enhance quality of locally grown produce to Michigan families, while strengthening Michigan family farms.

Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program – preserves agricultural and open space land to provide for current and future needs of Michigan citizens.

Food Safety Inspections – benefits every consumer in Michigan by assuring all foods meet Michigan quality and purity standards.

Foodborne Illness Planning & Response Program – closely monitors reported incidence of foodborne illness to determine trends, identify factors that cause outbreaks and recommend ways to prevent further outbreaks.

Licensing & Business Program – provides state residents with licenses to retail food and food services in their communities.

Michigan Groundwater Stewardship – provides individuals with water quality information through monitoring private wells across the state for general chemistry, pesticides, and volatile compounds.

Migrant Labor Housing Program – ensures safe, adequate housing for migrant farm workers through annual inspections and licensing of sites. Also, monitoring quality of water, proper food preparation and storage facilities.

Motor Fuel Quality – protects unsuspecting consumers from the use of illegal devices, adulterated products and costly engine repair due to substandard gasoline quality.

Select a Taste of Michigan – provides healthy organic and locally grown food products to Michigan families.

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) – feeds children during school vacations at other sites that organizations can sponsor.

West Nile Virus (WNV) – addresses animal health in relation to WNV through surveillance activities to protect human health and consumer interests.

Michigan Department of Civil Rights

Michigan Women's Commission – provides leadership and coordination on women's issues through a 15-member commission.

MDCR - established in the State constitution of 1963 to secure equal protection of civil rights and investigate allegations of discrimination. Provides the following customer service options:

information, referral, complaint resolution (early resolution, investigation and mediation), outreach and education (speakers, training, workshops, technical assistance, and crisis response).

Michigan Department of Community Health

Abstinence Program – promotes abstinence from sexual and other risky behaviors for adolescents.

Adolescent Health – provides health services to uninsured by funding 31 teen health centers.

Asthma – provides an interactive clearinghouse of asthma information, GetAsthmaHelp.org, 1-866-ezlungs.

Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening – provides breast and cervical cancer screening for income eligible women.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention – coordinates lead poisoning prevention and surveillance services for children.

Children's Special Health Care Services – provides children and some adults with special health care needs by paying specialty medical bills, coordinating services from multiple providers, coordinating health insurance benefits, learning about specialty providers and covering co-pays or deductibles.

Community Mental Health - serves persons with Severe Mental Illness, Developmental Disability, or Substance Use Disorder. Available statewide, but access is at the local CMH in each county.
Contact: the local CMH (found under mental health in the yellow pages)

Crime Victim Services Commission – uses state and federal funds to support victim services at local public and non-profit agencies serving crime victims. Crime victim compensation program helps pay out-of-pocket medical expenses, lost earnings, funeral bills or financial support for people who suffer physical injury as a direct result of a crime. Michigan Crime Victim Notification Network (MCVNN) 1-800-770-7657 is a free, confidential 24-hour-telephone computer interface that allows crime victims and other citizens to register to receive almost instantaneous telephone notice whenever a prisoner's custody status changes.

Diabetes – provides 78 Diabetes Self-Management Training programs and funds 6 diabetes Outreach Networks.

Early Hearing Detection & Intervention – identifies and intervenes for newborns with congenital hearing loss.

Family Planning – offers comprehensive reproductive health care and makes available a broad range of contraceptive services through a provider network.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome – reduces the number of children with FAS and provides diagnosis and support services.

Hearing Screening – screens children for hearing impairment and provides referral and follow-up.

Infant Support Services – provides services to high risk, Medicaid eligible infants.

Maternal & Child HIV/AIDS – provides comprehensive care for women, children and adolescents infected and/or affected by HIV/AIDS.

Maternal Support Services – provides services to high risk pregnant women at or below 185% of poverty.

Medicaid – provides necessary health care services for family independence program and SSI recipients and other low-income people. FIA determines eligibility and the Department of Community Health administers the program.

Nurse Family Partnership – works to improve the health & social functioning of low income first time mothers and their babies.

Oral Health – improves the oral health of the population.

Osteoporosis Prevention – the Partnership for Better Bones increases the awareness among providers and consumers about osteoporosis.

Part C: Early On - provides early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

Prenatal Care Demonstration Models – facilitates healthy pregnancy outcomes for urban African-American families, at high risk of a second fetal or infant death.

Prenatal Smoking Cessation – trains and supports prenatal care providers and staff to reduce smoking in pregnant women.

Safe Kids – provides information on child safety seat, www.michigansafekids.org.

Substance abuse treatment programs for pregnant women and women with children:
Contact person: Vicki Jenks 373-1716 Women's Designated Substance Abuse Treatment Programs.

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome & Other Infant Death Services – reduces infant mortality through education about the risks for SIDS and provide grief support for those affected.

Teen Outreach – increases number of adolescents abstaining from risky behaviors.

Vision Screening – screens children for vision impairment and provides referral and follow-up.

Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) – provides funds for purchase of food.

Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth

Adult Education - provides grant funds to educational institutions to assist in developing programs in Adult Basic Education, High School Completion and English as a Second Language instruction.

Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act - uses funds from the United States Department of Education are distributed to high schools and community colleges across the state to support and enhance career and technical education programs.

Dislocated Worker Program - provides the same services under the WIA Adult Program, and is available to displaced homemakers.

Displaced Homemaker Program - provides employment and training services to displaced homemakers so they can achieve and retain full-time, unsubsidized employment.

Food Assistance Employment and Training (FAE&T) Program - helps individuals maintain or regain their food assistance eligibility by participating in a qualifying work program or training activity.

Michigan Commission for the Blind – assists individuals with visual impairment.

Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns – responds to advocates for Michigan's 1.9 million people with disability.

Michigan Rehabilitation Services – provides disabled individuals with vocational evaluations, career counseling, job placement services and job follow-up services.

Non-Custodial Parent (NCP) Program - provides an option for Friends of the Court (FOCs) attempting to enforce child support payments against unemployed or underemployed NCPs.

Work First - establishes and maintains a connection to the labor market for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients, Non-Custodial Parent (NCPs), and recipients of non-cash assistance such as Child Day Care, Medicaid, and Food Assistance.

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult Program - provides workforce investment activities that increase the employment, retention, and earning of participants, and increases the occupational skill attainment by participants, which reduces welfare dependency and improves the quality of the workforce.

The Department monitors the enrollment and completion of high school and community college students in career education programs that are nontraditional for their gender. Activities for recruitment and support of these students are developed and designed to promote experiences that assure retention in and completion of nontraditional programs to reduce gender bias and gender role stereotyping.

The Department, as the state agency responsible for the administration of career and technical education programs, has adopted a compliance program to prevent, identify, and remedy discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age by its sub-recipients. The Civil Rights Compliance Program is a comprehensive review system designed to improve the delivery of career and technical education through the assurance of equal opportunity for all groups and populations. The OCR Compliance Program is designed to: insure that equal educational opportunities are provided to all students, including full opportunity to participate in programs, activities, and job opportunities, and to benefit from services; prohibit barriers to achieving full participation, such as the stereotyping of individuals based on their racial, ethnic, gender identity, age, or on their disabling conditions; provide education in an integrated setting; and, analyze, identify, and change policies and activities that impede the achievement of the above goals.

Michigan Department of Management and Budget

Children's Ombudsman - investigates complaints about children in Michigan's child welfare system. The program is an administrative remedy; that investigates the actions, decisions, policies and protocols of the Family Independence Agency (FIA) and child placing agencies as they relate to a particular child. The Ombudsman also makes recommendations to the Governor, Legislature, and FIA for changes in child welfare laws, rules, and policies.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

The Becoming an Outdoors-Woman program - is a DNR sponsored program for women 18 years of age or older to introduce them to traditional outdoors skills such as fishing, shooting sports, hunting, camping and other outdoor activities in a supportive, non-threatening atmosphere.

For more information about any program or department, go to www.michigan.gov.

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